Civil Protection Act

- Government Bill 2002/03:119
- Reformed rescue services legislation
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National objectives

– Life, health, property and the environment – with consideration given to local conditions – the provision of equivalent, satisfactory and comprehensive civil protection

– Rescue services – within an acceptable time, and using effective methods
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Definitions

Rescue services = national or municipal

– Emergencies or imminent danger of emergencies
– Prevent and limit injury to individuals, and damage to property and the environment
– Need for a rapid response
– The importance of that which is threatened
– The cost of the operation
– Other circumstances
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Ch. 2 The obligations of the individual

- Obligation to raise the alarm and to summon assistance
- Obligations for owners or beneficiaries
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Obligations for owners or beneficiaries

– Fire prevention measures
– Life-saving equipment
– Fire prevention documentation (owner)
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Obligations for dangerous activities

  – Preparedness & equipment
    (owner or person carrying on activities)
  – Risk analysis
    (person carrying on activities)
  – Notification obligation
    (person carrying on activities)
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Ch. 3  The obligations of the municipality

- Preventive measures
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Ch. 3 The obligations of the municipality

Preventive measures

– Ensure that measures are taken to prevent fires, and the injuries and damage that they cause
– Work towards attaining protection against other emergencies (without restricting the responsibility of others)
– Cooperation
– Expert advice and information to the individual
– Plan of action
– Chimney sweeping and fire prevention inspections
Civil Protection Act

Ch. 3 The obligations of the municipality

Rescue services

- Responsibility
- Cooperation
- Plan of action

Subsequent measures

- Written record of the decision to "end an operation"
- Information about guarding etc.
- Investigation
Civil Protection Act

Ch. 3 The obligations of the municipality

Organisation

– One or more committees
– Organisation for several municipalities
– Qualifications of personnel
– Conditions of employment

Command

– Chief Fire Officer
– Incident Commander
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Ch. 4  The obligations of the state

- Rescue services
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Ch. 4  The obligations of the state

Rescue services

- Mountain rescue
- Air search & rescue (SAR)
- Maritime SAR
- Searching for missing persons
- Maritime environmental protection
- Emergency service for dealing with emissions of radioactive substances from nuclear energy establishments

Command

- Incident Commanders appointed by the relevant authority
- The relevant county administrative board may assume responsibility
Civil Protection Act

Ch. 5 Supervision

- Municipality
- County administrative board
- Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency or other competent authority appointed by the government
- A fee for certain supervisory visits
Civil Protection Act

Ch. 6 Special obligations for individuals, municipalities, and government authorities

- Duty to serve if called upon
- Encroachment of others’ rights
- Documentation of decisions
- Obligation to assist the rescue services and/or with decontamination after an emission of radioactive substances
- Duty to report - submit particulars
- Alerting
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Ch. 7  Provisions for compensation
• Compensation for municipalities
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Ch. 10 Authorisation, responsibility and appeals

- Authorisation
- Responsibility
- Appeals

The Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency may appeal against the judgement of the county administrative court regarding compensation to a municipality.